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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on May 1, 2001, Applicant hereby calls the following documents, which were cited in a Japanese Notice of the Reason for Rejection dated November 26, 2002 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-192448, to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 2000-49999, published February 18, 2000;

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 11-112762, published April 23, 1999; and

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 11-41436, published February 12, 1999.

Applicant notes that all of the above-mentioned Japanese documents are being submitted together with an English language Abstract of the same.

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The relevance and pertinent portions of JP 2000-49999 are as noted on the attached copy of the Japanese Reason for the Rejection (together with an English language translation of the same). Applicant notes that the remaining Japanese documents were cited by the Japanese Examiner as background references, and thus, not discussed in detail in the Japanese Reason for the Rejection nor utilized in the rejection.

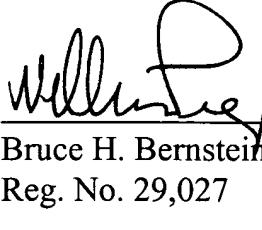
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all of the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted patents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Further, Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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